

## Ali arrives in Ankara for talks

ANKARA (R) — Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali arrived in Istanbul Tuesday for a four-day official visit on his way to Canada and the U.S. for talks on the Middle East. Mr. Hassan Ali starts his official visit in Ankara Wednesday, meeting military head of state Kenan Evren and Prime Minister Bulend Ulusu for talks on regional and bilateral issues. Foreign Ministry sources in Cairo said Mr. Ali would give messages from President Hosni Mubarak to the leaders of the three countries he would visit, dealing with various peace plans as well as trade and economic relations.

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## 'King to head delegation to Peking'

AMMAN (R) — His Majesty King Hussein will head an Arab delegation expected to visit Peking to outline an Arab Middle East peace plan, informed sources said Tuesday. They did not say when the delegation would visit the Chinese capital, but hinted it could be before the end of the year. The delegation was set up by an Arab summit in the Moroccan city of Fez in September to brief the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council on the Arab plan. The plan calls for an independent Palestinian state on the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and was seen as implicitly recognising Israel. The same delegation, but headed by King Hassan of Morocco, visited Washington recently and held talks with President Reagan.

## Group of wounded Palestinians arrive in Moscow

MOSCOW (R) — A group of wounded Palestinians has arrived in Moscow from Damascus for medical treatment the official Soviet News Agency TASS said. TASS said Monday that other Palestinians already in the Soviet Union were being treated at the best clinics in Moscow. A group of Palestinians wounded in Lebanon were reported to have arrived in Moscow earlier in September.

## Papandreu leaves for talks in Romania

ATHENS (R) — Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu, pursuing closer ties with his country's Balkan neighbours, left Tuesday for a three day official visit to Romania. Diplomatic sources said the talks would focus on economic issues, on the possible denuclearisation of the Balkans, and on the Middle East. Romania told Greece earlier this year it could not pay in currency its \$75 million debt on imports from Greece and Greek press reports said the two countries agreed to settle the matter on a barter basis. Making the Balkans a nuclear-free zone is a longstanding policy aim of Mr. Papandreu's Socialist government and Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu strongly endorsed the idea when he came to Athens in May. A month later Mr. Papandreu told journalists in Bulgaria that it was not a decision that could be taken lightly since Greece's security was at stake.

## Tikhonov awarded top state honours

MOSCOW (R) — Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov was awarded top state honours Tuesday for his stewardship of the country's economy. The official TASS news agency said Mr. Tikhonov, 77, who has been prime minister for two years, was presented with the Order of Lenin and his second gold hammer and sickle medal by President Leonid Brezhnev at a Kremlin ceremony. TASS said the award had been given in recognition of Mr. Tikhonov's "great strengthening of the country's economic and defensive might." Mr. Brezhnev was quoted as praising his Kremlin colleague for his "exceptional ability and dedication to work."

## Leftists put on trial in Istanbul

ISTANBUL (R) — The latest in a series of mass trials in Turkey began Tuesday as 386 people faced charges of membership of a militant leftist organisation. The trials all involve people accused of political violence before the 1980 military coup. This brings the total number currently on trial in Istanbul or Dev-Sol (extremist left) membership to 781 and the total who face the death penalty if convicted to 83. Dev-Sol and a closely similar organisation Dev-Yal (Revolutionary Way) claim responsibility for much of the left wing violence before the coup when up to 25 people were killed daily in shootings and bombings by leftists and rightists. Mass trials are underway in Ankara and elsewhere as are mass trials of trade unionists and others. None has finished yet and Tuesday's trial is expected to last months.

## Qadhafi arrives in Belgrade for talks

BELGRADE (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi arrived in Belgrade Tuesday for two-day talks with Yugoslav leaders expected to be dominated by the Middle East conflict and African problems. Col. Qadhafi, who arrived by way of Moscow following visits to China and North Korea, was making his third official trip to Yugoslavia in 17 months. His talks with President Petar Stambolic and other Yugoslav leaders will start Wednesday, officials said. Yugoslavia, a leading non-aligned country and a long-time supporter of Arab causes, notably the Palestinian issue, has welcomed the recent summit in Fez, Morocco, as an important step towards strengthening Arab unity.

## Multinational force to patrol east Beirut

BEIRUT (R) — U.S. marines and French and Italian troops from the Lebanon peace force could start patrolling east Beirut, stronghold of rightist Christian militias, Wednesday, a U.S. military spokesman said Tuesday.

Lt.-Col. John Abel said there was a strong possibility the deployment could begin in the morning, but arrangements were still being made.

The 4,000-strong multinational force had been due for weeks to help the Lebanese army deploy in east Beirut.

The State Department announced Monday that President Reagan had approved a Lebanese request for the marines to join the French and Italians on mobile patrols in the eastern sector.

The international force is at present deployed in west Beirut, which was controlled by Palestinian commandos and leftist militias until this summer's Israeli invasion.

The Lebanese army has carried out sweeping searches for arms in the west. Muslim politicians have

criticised the army's failure to do the same in the eastern sector.

Spokesmen for the Christian militias say their men in east Beirut are confined to barracks and will welcome the army and the three-nation peace force.

Security was tighter at the marines' headquarters Tuesday, after a car bomb exploded 30 metres from a marine camp Monday.

Western diplomatic sources said President Amin Gemayel was keen that patrolling of east Beirut should begin, even if it was only symbolic, before the new government faces a confidence vote in parliament on Thursday.

Prime Minister Shafiq Al-Wazzan, presenting his programme Tuesday, asked for emergency powers for the next eight months.

Political sources said this was an indication of the government's will to exert its authority after eight years of anarchy in Lebanon leading to the Israeli invasion in June.

### Fighting flares up

Renewed fighting between Christians and Druze militiamen broke out Tuesday in the Shouf mountains southeast of Beirut, security sources said.

State-run Beirut Radio said one person was killed and another injured in the village of Bribi, southwest of the town of Ain Zhalta.

But clashes around the town of Bhamdoun on the Beirut-Damascus highway had died down, the radio said.

In Tel Aviv, a military spokesman said one Israeli soldier was slightly wounded when he was caught in crossfire near Ain Zhalta.

Fighting between the right-wing Christian militias and the mainly Druze Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) has flared in at least four places in the Shouf since a clash on Sunday.

Israeli forces control the area but maintain a minimal presence. Four days of fighting last month ended when Israeli tanks moved into the village of Kfar Matta 15 kilometres from Beirut. The area was calm but tense until the latest flare-up.

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## Draper reports progress in talks

TEL AVIV (R) — U.S. special envoy Morris Draper Tuesday reported progress in efforts to ensure the departure of all foreign forces from Lebanon and security for Israel.

Mr. Draper briefed Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir on his latest talks with Lebanese leaders and told newsmen afterwards: "I think we are making progress on overcoming the ob-

stacles to talks aimed at bringing about the withdrawal of all foreign forces from Lebanon that is the common objective of the U.S., Lebanon and Israel".

A senior Israeli government official indicated that the discussions to date dealt more with the manner in which Israeli-Lebanese talks are to be held rather than on ways of getting the Israeli, Syrian

and remaining Palestinian forces out.

The Israeli official said Mr. Shamir had made Israel's attitude here to the composition of a multinational force in Lebanon clear to Mr. Draper.

Lebanon is reported to have expressed interest in an offer by King Hassan of Morocco to provide troops for such a force.

## Socialist leaders to press for exclusion of Israeli Labour Party from movement

ZURICH (R) — Socialist international leaders would be asked to suspend Israel's Labour Party from the movement when they meet in Basle Wednesday. Socialist sources said Tuesday.

A number of Socialist parties including those from Finland, Denmark and Spain, are pressing for exclusion of the party on the grounds that it supported Prime Minister Menachem Begin's invasion of Lebanon.

The leaders are officially due to discuss the Middle East and a membership request by a radical Israeli left-wing party, Mapam. Mapam, otherwise known as the United Workers Party currently has consultative status with the international, while the Labour Party of Shimon Peres enjoys full membership.

Radicals within the organisation, which groups 6 Socialist Parties with an estimated worldwide membership of 8 million, have been divided on Israeli policy, and some members were pressing for a strong condemnation of Mr. Begin's policy even before the invasion of Lebanon.

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Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky was one of the first European leaders to establish links with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO). Newly re-elected Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme has been another

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## Mubarak ready to meet Begin for talks

CAIRO (R) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Tuesday he was prepared to meet Prime Minister Menachem Begin for talks on settling their two countries' disputes.

"I could meet him (Mr. Begin) anywhere. It is not a problem there is nothing personal between me and Mr. Begin," Mr. Mubarak told reporters following a meeting with a group of provincial leaders.

"I have no complexes that stop me from meeting him."

Questioned by reporters Mr. Mubarak did not make clear whether this meant he was willing to travel to Israel.

Mr. Mubarak has not been to Israel since he took over from the late President Anwar Sadat in October 1981. He was planning to visit Israel earlier this year but the trip never took place. He insisted

weekend that it was prepared to resume talks on Taba, suspended since last May only if they were part of talks on broader issues between the two countries.

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## Pope asks Spaniards to respect outcome of elections

MADRID (R) — Pope John Paul II told Spaniards Tuesday to respect the outcome of last week's general elections in which the Socialists were put in power for the first time since before the 1936-39 Civil War.

Speaking on the third day of a 10-day visit to Spain the Pope made the appeal in the royal palace in the presence of King Juan Carlos and the country's political and military chiefs after shaking hands with Prime Minister elect Felipe Gonzalez.

"In this courtesy visit I would like to express my greetings and respect to the legitimate representatives of the Spanish people whom they have elected with their

mandates to govern their des-

tinies," Pope John Paul said.

Praising the efforts of Spaniards in building democracy since the end of Gen. Franco's right-wing dictatorship in 1975, the Pope referred to the "plurality of legitimate options" and respect that must be paid to them.

His speech was seen as a clear warning to right-wing forces in Spain, which traditionally act in the name of Catholicism, that the church would not support any attempt to overthrow the country's young democracy.

But the Pope added that the church expected similar respect for itself from the country's elec-

tions.

He said he felt the Pope's visit had helped to calm passions after the elections and added that he expected to meet the pontiff a sec-

## Iraq says new Iranian offensive repulsed, counter-attacks started

BAGHDAD (R) — Iraq said Tuesday it had repulsed a new Iranian offensive in the two-year-old Gulf war and its planes were striking at Iranian forces trying to cross the border in the southern sector of the front.

A military source quoted by the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) said Iraqi fighter planes were also attacking Iranian troops further inside Iran at Ein-e-Khosh.

Reports from both sides said the latest Iranian assault began Monday night west of Ein-e-Khosh in a border area where the foothills of the Zagros mountains meet the plains of Iran's oil-producing province of Khuzestan.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced in Baghdad Tuesday that the offensive had "failed" and had destroyed in an offensive last March. Iraq said at the time it had withdrawn the Fourth Army to positions near the border.

The new offensive is Iran's third since Iraq announced in June that it had pulled back to the international frontier, after the Gulf war started in September 1980.

The two earlier offensives, one near the southern port of Basra in July and the other east of Baghdad last month, appeared to have made little or no headway into Iraqi territory.

Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassef Jassem Tuesday dismissed Iran's claim that it was fighting on its own soil. He said in a statement to INA that Tehran made such claims "after each abortive attempt to cross the border".

The latest fighting came only a week after Iraq said it accepted and Iran declared it rejected, fresh proposals by the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) to end the conflict.

## Sharaf elected chairman of National Mobilisation Committee

AMMAN (J.T.) — The National Consultative Council's (NCC) National Mobilisation Committee Tuesday elected Mrs. Laila Sharaf as its chairman and Dr. Mamoud Al Abbadi as its rapporteur.

The committee was originally called the Follow-up Committee when it was formed to follow up on events after the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in June, and was headed then by NCC member Dr.

## Strikes, stones mark Balfour anniversary in the West Bank

TEL AVIV (R) — Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank Tuesday marked with strikes and stone-throwing the 65th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration.

The declaration, issued by British Foreign Secretary Arthur Balfour in 1917, supported the idea of a "Jewish homeland" in Palestine, which 50 years later became Israel.

Security forces used tear gas to disperse stone-throwing school children in Nablus, where youngsters also threw stones at merchants who kept their shops open.

In East Jerusalem all schools were closed. Shopkeepers ignored the strike call.



## Tal says examinations aim to assess students' abilities and tendencies

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Education Sa'id Al Tal stressed during a meeting Tuesday at the ministry that examinations held by the ministry aim in the first place at assessing the learner's abilities and tendencies.

The comprehensive examination for polytechnic school students has been one of the ministry's most important accomplishments, despite some negative aspects resulting from educational conditions that prevailed prior to its application, the minister said.

The secondary school general certificate (*tawjih*) examination needs to be modernised by implementing technological facilities available, Dr. Tal said.

The meeting was attended by Ministry of Education Under-Secretary Abdul Latif Arabiat and senior ministry officials.

Dr. Tal is scheduled to preside over a meeting Thursday of the ministry's Planning and Coordination Committee to consider working papers presented by several ministry departments and committees on organisational issues and rural development centre in Ma'di.

## Minister opens reshuffled education council session

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Education Sa'id Al Tal said Tuesday in the opening session of the reshuffled educational council, that the council represents the leading intellectual body of the educational institution in Jordan. "It carries responsibility for the realisation of qualitative progress in the educational process in the country," he said.

One of the most crucial problems facing the development of education in Jordan is the use of schools for more than one shift, as this impedes the use of school buildings for extra-curricular activities, Dr. Tal said. Development of ministry employees' conditions is also necessary, and more facilities and services are needed, he added.

The new educational council has been restructured upon amendment of its regulations. The council, now headed by Dr. Tal, includes in its membership: Sheikh Ibrahim Qattan, Dr. Bashir Al Sabagh, Mr. Touqan Al Hindawi, Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali, Dr. Ishaq Al Farhan, Mr. Adnan Abu Odeh, Mr. Ali Khreis, Mr. Mohammed Nuri Shafiq, Mr. Hikman Al Sakit, Mr. Basil Jaradeh, Dr. Abdul Latif Arabiat, Mr. Munther Al Masri, Mr. Zein Radinko, Dr. Ali Abdul Razag, Dr. Ahmad Bashatreh and Dr. Izzat Jaradat.

## Gaza elders appeal to U.N. to revoke UNRWA decision

AMMAN (Petra) — Palestinian elders in refugee camps in the occupied Gaza Strip have denounced in a letter to United Nations General Assembly president and members the decision taken by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees (UNRWA) to suspend food rations to Palestinian refugees in the West Bank, Gaza and other Arab host countries, as of Nov. 1, 1982.

The Gaza refugee elders stressed the need to revoke the

UNRWA decision, and guarantee resumption of basic services regularly rendered to Palestinian refugees. The letter refuted the allegations made by UNRWA to justify its suspension of services, and called for the securing of funds necessary for UNRWA budget to carry on its responsibilities and improve educational and medical services offered to refugees.

The Gaza refugee elders sent a similar message to Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Amman to have more telephones

AMMAN (Petra) — The central committee of telephones has agreed to install 541 new telephone lines in different areas of the capital and suburbs. The committee, which held meeting Tuesday presided over by Minister of Communications Mohammad Al Zaben, also agreed on a positive response to some of old applications for telephone connections but at double the regular fee. These lines are to be allotted in the Al Sharq Al Awtas Circle, Wihdat.

### Inventory seminar concludes at IPA

AMMAN (Petra) — A two-week seminar on inventory control, organised by the Institute of Public Administration (IPA) in cooperation with Amman Chamber of Industry concluded at the (IPA) Tuesday. The seminar discussed topics on the calculation of the volume of future demand on basic materials, finished commodities and the estimation of the costs of ordering and storing commodities. Storing registers, filing and data analysis also were among topics the seminar discussed. The programme included tours of several companies and corporations to observe production and storage systems used in them.

### Swedish scholars visit university

AMMAN (Petra) — Two Swedish scholars, from the University of Lund, Kerry Persson, the university rector, and Bengt Kuntsson, an associate professor at the university, Tuesday visited the Language Centre of the Faculty of Arts at the University of Jordan. They also discussed with university officials possible fields of cooperation.

### IDB continues assistance to artisans

AMMAN (Petra) — The Industrial Development Bank (IDB) provided Jordanian artisans loans totalling JD 76,300 in October as against JD 49,500 in the same month last year, it was announced Tuesday. IDB loans to artisans totalled JD 495,500 in the last 10 months as compared to JD 423,400 during the same period last year.

### Karak development projects reviewed

AMMAN (Petra) — Supervisors of the Karak branch of the Professional Associations organised an open meeting Tuesday where the chairman and members of Karak Municipality took part. Participants discussed the role of the Karak Development Corporation in constructing buildings and parks in addition to several other projects. Dr. Abdullah Al Dmour, chairman of Karak Municipality briefed participants on its current and future projects. He explained that the corporation aims at providing basic services to Karak residents and offering material and technical assistance to the municipality.

### Science students to elect officials

AMMAN (Petra) — The annual elections of officials of the Science Students Association started Tuesday in all the departments of the University of Jordan. The students associations usually carry out scientific, cultural and social activities for the students of various departments.

### Iraqi books to go on exhibition

AMMAN (Petra) — The Iraqi Press Department is scheduled to open Saturday an Iraqi books exhibition at the department's building at Fifth Circle, Jabal Amman. The seven-day exhibition will comprise 440 headings on various art, philosophical and scientific subjects, in addition to a collection of children's books.



His Royal Highness Prince Hassan, on a tour of 18 villages Tuesday, listens to a villager who reads out the needs of his village. (Petra photo)

## Hassan calls for proper exploitation of farmland

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan Tuesday called for the exploitation of farming land, and providing farmers with machinery and equipment needed for raising the standards of agricultural production.

The Crown Prince in a speech to villagers during an inspection tour of 18 villages in the Taibeh, Wasit and Kura districts in Irbid Governorate, stressed that farming problems should be tackled and solved, and public land should be reclaimed and properly exploited, implementing modern mechanisation methods.

He expressed his belief in the need to set up a model farming project to render services to far-

mers in the Ghor region.

In an apparent reference to the influx of villagers to cities, Prince Hassan concentrated on the importance of "returning to the land, protecting it and developing its productivity through a comprehensive perspective."

Prince Hassan appreciated the role played by Shafa Al Ghor area in the development processes and plans and the production of foodstuffs necessary for the country.

He also expressed hope that the "coming decade will witness a leap in production, on the contrary to the present one, being that of services."

The Prince stressed that Jordan, under the leadership of His Majesty King Hussein has seen great developments in compliance with the King's "far-sighted, clear and patriotic leadership, based on morals and love of the land."

The Prince listened during his tour to the citizens' requests and needs.

He was accompanied on the tour by Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment Hassan Al Momani, the European Economic Community (EEC) representative in Amman and a number of senior government officials.

## Hassan, Mohammad condole Majali family

AMMAN (Petra) — Karik Governor Diab Yousef Tuesday deplored for His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan to convey condolences to Al Majali family in the death of Shahir Al Majali, secretary-general of the General Federation of Jordanian Trade Unions, who died last week.

His Highness Prince Mohammad also conveyed his condolences to Al Majali family. Prince Mohammad assigned his private secretary to convey the condolences.

## CAEU, FAO start talks on cooperation

AMMAN (Petra) — Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) Secretary-General Fakhri Oadouri discussed with Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Economic Planning Adviser Yousef Saigh cooperation between the two organisations, and phases of agricultural coordination and integration.

Dr. Saigh arrived in Amman Tuesday on a several-day visit to the CEAU General Secretariat, during which he will hold talks with its officials on topics of mutual interest. The visit is in compliance with a protocol signed in Rome by the FAO and the CEAU last month.

On the other hand, the Arab Company for Livestock Development, an organisation under the CEAU umbrella, is executing a poultry-breeding project in the Azraq area. Project Director Adeeb Al Dhaifai said the last stages of the project will be finished in mid-1984, with a capacity of producing half a million mother-chicks per year for Jordanian and neighbouring Arab markets.

The project will also produce a total of 18 million eggs and six million chicken per year.

## Seminar focuses on methods to prevent road accidents

By Aifah A. Kaloti  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — A seminar on the Role of Citizens and Associations in Decreasing and Preventing Road Accidents was held Tuesday at the Amman Chamber of Commerce.

The one-day seminar was organised by the Jordan Society for the Prevention of Road Accidents



Minister of Interior Ahmad Obeidat (right) and Minister of Health Zaiher Malhas (to Mr. Obeidat's right) Tuesday listen to a speaker at a seminar organised by the Jordan Society for the Prevention of Road Accidents (Petra photo)

### Exiled president of Al Najah to address GUVS seminar

AMMAN (J.T.) — The exiled president of Al Najah University in the occupied West Bank, Dr. Munzer Salah will address a one-day seminar at the Professional Associations Complex Thursday.

The seminar, organised by the General Union of Voluntary Societies (GUVS), will hear Dr. Salah's first-hand account of the impact of the Israeli occupation on the education system as a whole in the occupied territories.

GUVS members as well as all exiled academic staff from Al Najah University will take part in Thursday's seminar.

### VTC receives equipment for Zarqa training centre

AMMAN (Petra) — The Vocational Training Corporation (VTC) has received equipment and instruments for its training centre in Zarqa, it was announced.

The purchase of the equipment and instruments was financed by the European Economic Community (EEC) under an agreement the VTC signed with the community in 1980.

The equipments, costing about JD 200,000, will be installed during the next month.

VTC Director Munzer Salah said that the Zarqa centre will train 800 of VTC students currently undergoing training courses at centres of the Ministry of Education.

Mr. Salah also said that the Zarqa centre offers specialised courses in general mechanics, electricity and metal welding. He added that the centre will offer skilled manpower to neighbouring factories in addition to providing training for the factories' workers.

### Course okayed for prisoners

AMMAN (Petra) — Public Security Directorate Col. Ghaleb Al Dmour said that courses at the centre started last Saturday and members of teaching staff at the Intermediate University College are teaching 39 students.

Col. Dmour asserted that the cultural committee at the centre made all the arrangements and the preparations necessary for creating a suitable atmosphere for the purpose.

### Jordan's attractions displayed at 'Amman Caravan' in Toronto

AMMAN (Petra) — The Jordanian Ministry of Antiquities and Tourism participated in an Arab tourist week organised by the Arab Community in Toronto, Canada. The week was named "Amman Caravan," and aimed at publicising touristic activities in Jordan and acquainting Canadians with the different aspects of life and touristic sites in Jordan.

The present week is part of a tradition pursued by the Arab community in Toronto to organise touristic weeks for one of the Arab countries annually.

role of different concerned associations in decreasing road accidents in the country," he said.

Minister of Health Zaiher Malhas said that the aim for holding the seminar "is to focus all attention of people and associations, on the consequences of the traffic accidents problem." He added that numerous homes and societies have suffered and that "it is high time to define responsibilities and legislate laws that would assure the citizen of his safety on roads." Dr. Malhas himself heads the JSRPA.

Minister of the Interior Ahmad Obeidat, who deputised for His Royal Highness Crown Prince Prince Hassan in opening the seminar, urged all citizens and associations to "take the responsibility for serving the citizens' needs and security, and to preserve the accomplishments of the society." Mr. Obeidat said that a new traffic law is about to be published, pointing out that this required the cooperation of all, including the media, to reduce traffic accidents and protect the lives of citizens.

"The better use of public transportation is being seriously studied in order to decrease the number of small vehicles," the minister of interior said.

The seminar's working papers were submitted by the ministries of education, public works, health, social development, the Public Security Directorate, the University of Jordan, Yarmouk University, the Royal Scientific Society, the associations of engineers

and doctors, the JSRPA and the Royal Automobile Club. All of them acknowledged the seriousness of the problem and agreed that the main factors which cause road accidents are: the human being, the driver as well as the pedestrian, roads and vehicles.

In Jordan 13 people get killed every 10 days and 24 others get injured daily, the paper said. It commented that the number of road accidents is very high and should be prevented at all costs.

The Ministry of Health compared the number of deaths caused by cholera and road accidents in 1981. Statistics showed that six deaths caused by the former, while 457 deaths were the result of the latter.

### Alia aids Lebanon relief effort

WASHINGTON (J.T.) — Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline recently opened the cargo holds of its 747 "combi" aircraft to facilitate a critical relief shipment of urgently needed medical supplies for Lebanon. A total of 16,563 pounds of antibiotics, bandages, dressings, sutures, burn ointments and related materials were loaded onto five pallets and flown by Alia from John F. Kennedy International Airport to Damascus at no charge. The supplies were gathered by Dooly Foundation/Intermed USA, the American branch of the international relief organisation based in Geneva.

The transport of the supplies is being coordinated overall by the Airline Employees Relief Organisation (AERO), and Intermed-USA. The shipment is being trucked from Damascus to Beirut by the International Red Cross.

AERO, a nonprofit organisation of volunteers who aid the world's needy and sick, has assisted in negotiating all shipping arrangements; and AERO representatives are accompanying the shipment to Lebanon to turn over the materials to the International Committee of the Red Cross.

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## Courses in patience technology

**IN SOME** Western countries, ministries, institutions or universities run courses for businessmen on what they call necessary knowledge for doing business in the Arab World. They tell them, among other things, that to be successful with the Arabs one has to watch out for a keyword: patience. Many deals failed because Western executives and salesmen had tired of "preliminary courtesies" and given up, some of the experts argue.

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gift of God, we do not really agree that agreements should be delayed and roads left unpaved for otherwise unbelievable reasons. When we wait to license our cars or get our pensions paid, we, just like the rest of the world, hardly like to invoke our religious beliefs, except of course in moments of despair. When we need a telephone installed in our home or office, we rarely call off the search, just because it is mission impossible, and seek perseverance rather than patience.

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## JORDAN'S ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

### Al Ra'i: Put all efforts behind

His Majesty King Hussein's message Monday to Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat dealt with the outcome of Jordan's contacts over the Palestinian issue and the coordination and cooperation between the PLO and Jordan.

Also a statement Monday by Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij calling for speeding up a formula of a confederation between the two banks of River Jordan reflects both sides' keenness on further strengthening their cohesion with the aim of regaining the usurped lands.

Thus the Jordanian-Palestinian joint action forms a "central power" which both sides should employ to regain the occupied territories.

No doubt the sufferings of people on both sides

### Jordanian-Palestinian unity

of the river has been the driving force behind their decision to consolidate their efforts and to form a confederation.

The Arab countries, upon remembering the Balfour Declaration which laid the basis for Israel's aggression are called on to strengthen the Jordanian-Palestinian unity that stands like a dam holding back the Israeli flood of evil and preventing it from obliterating their very existence.

The Balfour Declaration was a promise of evil, but now the Arabs should issue another promise: a promise of a bright future for their coming generations. This promise must be represented in a strong Arab support for the Jordanian-Palestinian plans that are designed to end injustice and darkness.

### Al Dustour: How do we interpret Washington's silence now?

Observers of political developments have lately been watching a race between the American administration and Israel over the settlement policy in the occupied Arab territories and have become convinced that the Reagan administration is not as it claims to be on maintaining its respect and credibility before the world.

Ever since the moment Mr. Reagan declared his initiative to solve the Middle East issue, Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin has been relentlessly working towards crushing it in a manner that would prove to the world America's impotence of shouldering its responsibility as a superpower to preserve peace or establish justice in our region.

Reports about a suggestion by Israel's ambassador in Washington that Israel freeze its settlement programmes for six months is in fact part of the American-Israeli race.

No doubt Israel's refusal to halt the programme for a limited period falls in line with the Zionist declared policy of rejecting any discussion over the future of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

But, the Israeli refusal has exposed Washington as an ally of Israel - accepting what she accepts and refusing what is not in harmony with her plans. Let us not forget that Israel continues to reject peace or any withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories.

In reply to U.S. ambassador's suggestion, Israel promptly declared that work will soon start on the establishment of six new settlements on Arab land. The announcement is clearly intended to tip Mr. Reagan's plan in the bud. Washington's silence would definitely harm its prestige as a superpower and would also place a big question mark over its intentions and its role as a supporter of peace.

The whole world realises the fact that Israel cannot take a single step without Washington's approval. It cannot opt for war or peace without consulting first with the American administration which is Israel's main source of economic, political and military power. Washington's failure to act now will no doubt make it pay a very high price in the future.

## SCIENCE & INDUSTRY By Dr. Awn Rifai

### How to improve global weather forecasting

Weather prediction in some countries has become dependent on the improvements in electronic instruments and the computers that analyse their data. Since accurate forecasting of the climatic conditions is becoming increasingly important, the development of the needed instruments has been largely boosted.

The forecasts produced every day in hundreds of cities around the globe are based on information generated by a complex electronic network. Data is collected by thousands of earth satellite stations in almost all countries and by polar-orbiting and geostationary satellites.

The information is relayed by telecommunications networks and fed into computers to generate predictions used by local forecasters.

The inadequacy of the data and of the computer models used to predict weather patterns, combined with the speed limitations of the computerised systems, limit the performance of the technique adopted and lead to erroneous forecasting. Hence, scientists are working on improving the information media and computer modelling so as to provide a satisfactory

short-term and long-term forecasting.

At present, data is collected every day starting at 00 and 12 o'clock GMT. Information on surface winds, pressures and temperatures at 4600 land stations and 740 ships around the globe is passed on to a few regional weather centres for distribution to the various countries.

Airborne and satellite transmitted reports supplement the information by means of about 900 balloon-borne radiosondes, buoys at sea, airliners, polar and geostationary satellites, visible, infra-red and microwave imaging instruments.

Many techniques have been developed to improve the computer models and their data bases. More efficient models and faster hardware have resulted in more prediction accuracy for 24-hour forecasts, but the reliability of longer forecasts dwindles rapidly.

Weekly forecasts are mainly a question of chance, and monthly forecasts depend largely on the experience and skill of meteorologists. The reason why long-term forecasts are difficult to make is that, unlike the shorter predictions, they do

not rely heavily on detailed data of upwind weather patterns.

Therefore, long-term forecasts require more accurate modelling of the physical interactions that underlie weather phenomena. This is a complicated task to perform.

The scientific and technological progress over the past few years has permitted climate model-makers to predict that accurate long-term forecasts may be available in the near future.

At present, a main application of the models is in simulating climatic changes that may occur because of human intervention, such as the carbon dioxide content of the atmosphere through continued consumption of fossil fuels.

Other simulations are assisting in the formulation of policies regarding forest-clearing programmes and the like. The accurate simulation of climatic change may influence land management policies and forearm the governments of their possible consequences.

Thus, the development of more reliable technical systems is expected to come to even further-reaching national and international applications.

## Kohl promises West Germans 'historic new beginning'

By Paul Taylor  
Reuter

BONN — In his first month as West German Chancellor, Helmut Kohl of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) has acted like a man in a hurry.

Elected by Parliament on Oct. 1 in a vote that ousted Chancellor Helmut Schmidt of the Social Democratic Party (SPD), Mr. Kohl rapidly set about tackling the country's serious budget problems and has tried to adopt the air of statesmanship which marked his predecessor.

The centre-right Kohl government sworn in on Oct. 4 at first looked to many like an uneasy transitional administration, shackled by its own promise of a general election next March.

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Mr. Kohl also has to keep a wary eye on his unruly allies in the Christian Social Union (CSU) of Bavarian State Premier Franz Josef Strauss.

Mr. Strauss, who makes no secret of his ambition to be foreign minister and vice-chancellor, has been hurling abuse at the liberals, apparently in the hope that he can force them out of Parliament.

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in honour guard and for getting to bow to the flags.

### Pathos and plasticities

During the lightning visit to London, Mr. Kohl seemed for the cameras as British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and they had enjoyed a "meeting of minds" on a wide range of subjects including economic policy.

Mr. Kohl's aides were less than happy about having their champion associated with Mrs. Thatcher's right-wing approach, which has few admirers in West Germany.

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## How far will Washington go?

By Harvey Morris  
Reuter

LONDON — A question posed persistently in the Arab World, as the United States speeds up its Middle East diplomacy, is how far Washington will go in forcing Israel to give ground in a regional peace settlement.

Despite a shift in U.S. policy in the aftermath of Israel's invasion of Lebanon, many Arab officials still doubt that President Reagan is prepared to impose the sanctions they feel are needed to break the hardline stand of Menachem Begin's government.

The suspicions about U.S. intentions are greatest in the radical Arab states and within the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

But even among the radicals there is a recognition, which emerged clearly at a summit of Arab leaders in Morocco in September, that only the Americans can open the way to a comprehensive solution in the region.

U.S. policy, which seemed highly favourable to Israel when the Reagan administration took office almost two years ago, is now diametrically opposed to the Israeli government's stand on a number of fundamental issues.

The key factor in the Middle East equation is the future of the West Bank, occupied by Israel

since 1967. Although the latest U.S. and Arab peace plans differ both sides agree the West Bank and its Palestinian inhabitants should not remain under Israeli control.

Washington would like to see it as an autonomous Palestinian homeland federated with Jordan while the Arabs want it as the site of a future Palestinian state.

Both viewpoints are rejected by Mr. Begin's government, which considers the West Bank as an integral part of the historic land of Israel.

Washington has so far declined to get tough with Mr. Begin, despite his gruff rejection of U.S. peace moves. U.S. officials argue that heavy pressure on Israel would only harden the Israeli position.

Western officials nevertheless believe the administration, now at mid-term, is not prepared to see a continuing stalemate in the peace process.

Although the Middle East is now the focus of U.S. foreign policy, Western diplomats see Washington's future strategy as linked to the wider question of America's global interests and relations with the Soviet Union.

Washington has been frozen out of the Middle East conflict, both by Washington's success in taking the diplomatic initiative and also by its own failure to come to the rescue

of the Arabs in time of crisis. Mr. Reagan launched his presidency with a pledge to curb Soviet expansionism and sought a strategic alliance in the Middle East to counter an alleged Soviet threat.

The pro-Western conservative Arab states tried to convince the administration that the Arab World faced a greater threat from Israel than it did from the Soviet Union.

The administration now appears to have gone some way towards accepting the Arab thesis by acknowledging that a settlement of the Palestinian question is essential for regional peace. In U.S. terms, stability in the Middle East will deny Moscow the opportunity of "fishing in troubled waters". Middle East analysts note that the priorities of Israel are not the same as Washington's.

Israel is concerned with its own territorial security, even if this can only be maintained by keeping the Arab World weak, divided and unstable. It believes its military superiority over the Arabs is the surest guarantee of survival.

The conservative Arabs are bent on convincing President Reagan that the future of their regimes is threatened by Israel's insensitivity.

The question that the Arab World is putting to the U.S. administration is — failure to meet Pal-

estinian aspirations will cause radical unrest among the Arab masses. Such unrest will lead to the overthrow of pro-Western regimes. The ensuing instability will damage Western interests and create openings for Moscow.

Some Arab leaders believe the Arab World is already countering a radical backlash by going along too closely with U.S. diplomacy without adequate guarantees that Washington is prepared to put decisive pressure on Israel.

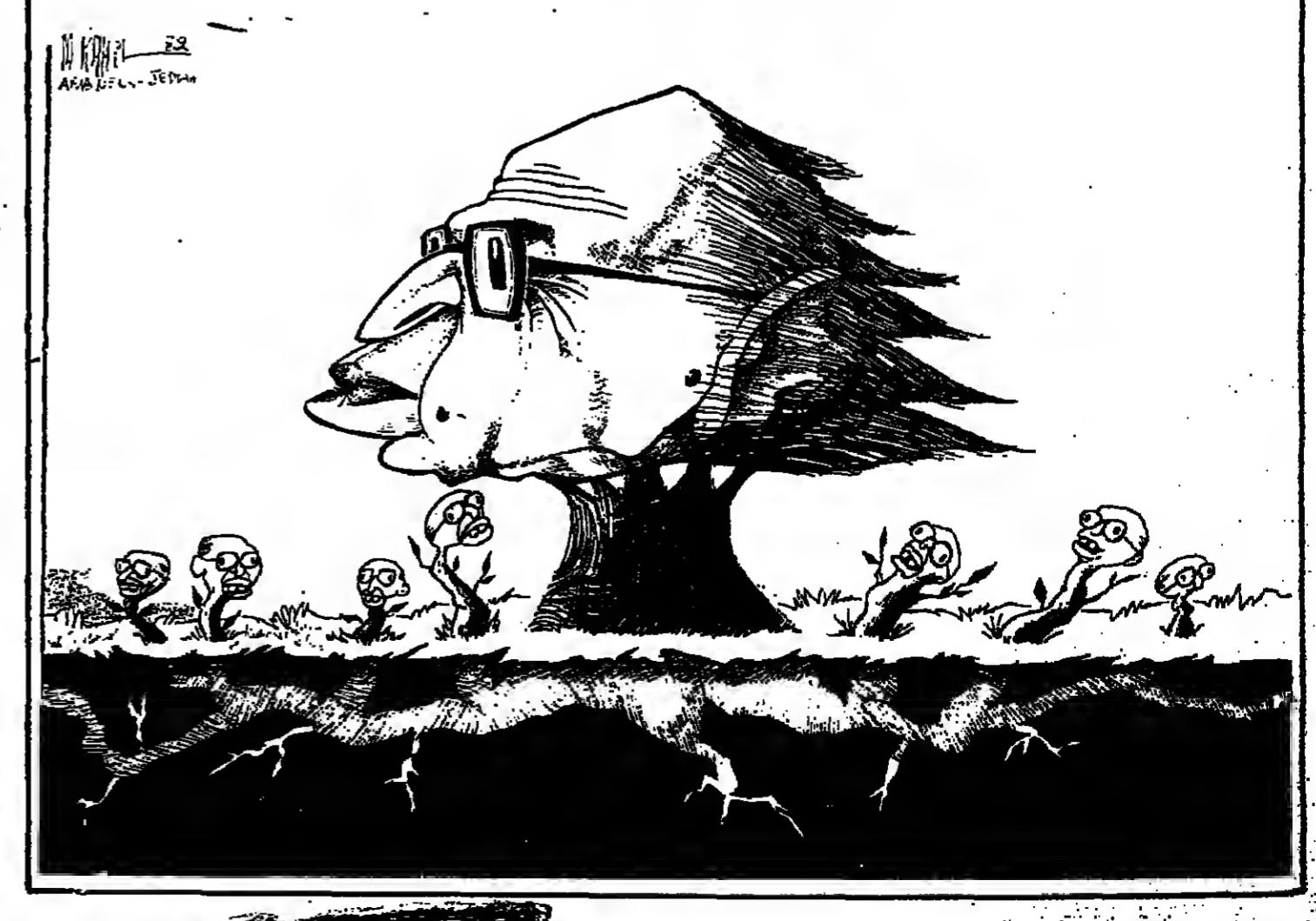
Such reservations are not confined to the radicals. Western diplomats report deep differences within the Saudi leadership, with hardliners arguing King Fahd is too close to Washington.

Current diplomacy is concentrated on reconciling the Reagan plan for peace in the Middle East with an Arab proposal, put forward in Morocco, that amounts to a call for a Palestinian state in return for recognition of Israel.

Washington has pledged that it will not abandon its peace plan just because it has been rejected by Mr. Begin. The administration "will not turn and run", Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger said recently.

But as yet there are no public indications that Mr. Reagan is prepared to cut the U.S. economic lifeline to Israel if Mr. Begin fails to come to heel.

By Helmut Kohl — Japan





## SPORTS

## Baseball commissioner Kuhn to be replaced by club owners

CHICAGO (R) — Major League club owners voted Tuesday to replace Bowie Kuhn as baseball commissioner.

The American and National Leagues held separate meetings on whether to retain Kuhn, who began his first term as commissioner in 1969.

Kuhn needed three-quarters of the vote in both Leagues—10 of the 14 teams in the American and nine of 12 in the National—to keep his job.

He survived the American League vote, 11-3 in his favour, but met his downfall in the National League balloting, which was only 7-5 to retain him.

The club owners decided not to

reveal what teams voted against Kuhn in the National League. But baseball sources said the five probably were the St. Louis Cardinals, Houston Astros, New York Mets, Atlanta Braves and Chicago Cubs.

It was not immediately known if the club owners would ask Kuhn to stay until his seven-year contract expired in August 1983 or whether they would appoint a successor immediately.

When he became commissioner in 1969, Kuhn succeeded retired U.S. army general William Eckert. Kuhn was elected to a second seven-year term in 1975, although some club owners tried to oust him at that time.

Albert Chandler, a former governor of Kentucky, and Ford Frick, a former sports journalist, served as commissioners between the regimes of Landis and Eckert.

Kingston Town, the sentimental favourite at 6-1, went to the front two furlongs out and appeared to have the cup won. Trainer Tommy Smith said he thought Kingston town had hung on and was amazed when Gurner's Lane's number went up.

Third place went to Noble Comment who was close to the leaders throughout.

After achieving one of Aus-

tralian racing's greatest training feats in taking both the Melbourne and Caulfield Cups, trainer Geoff Murphy gave the credit to Dittman.

"That was the greatest ride I've ever seen," he said. "I gave Mick no instructions before the race. I let him ride his own race and he did the rest."

The last horse to win the Caulfield-Melbourne Cups double was Galilee in 1966. Murphy said the double was unplanned.

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## South Australia's batting halts

### England's drive for resounding win

ADELAIDE (R) — England's hopes of scoring a resounding victory over South Australia faded Tuesday in the face of some spirited middle and late order batting by the state side.

The touring team, who had begun the third day with high hopes of enforcing a follow-on.

**Soviets lead Chess Olympiad**

LUCERNE (R) — The Soviet Union has taken the lead in the World Chess Olympiad, with 0.5 points out of a possible 12, after beating the United States 3-1 in the third round of play.

The Soviet players are followed by Yugoslavia and West Germany, equal second with 10 points, and England, Czechoslovakia, Sweden and Switzerland, all with 9.5 points.

The U.S., Hungary, Argentina and Indonesia all with nine points come next, followed by the Netherlands, Cuba, Canada, Denmark and China with 8.5 points.

In the women's Olympiad, the surprising Chinese continue to lead with eight points out of a possible nine after three rounds of play, while the Soviet Union is second with 7.5 points.

ended the day struggling to keep out the state side's spinners.

They were 90 for four in their second innings at the close—a lead of 238. Wednesday is the final day.

Leg spinner Peter Sleep was the man to put the skids under England in the final session. Turning the ball appreciably, he trapped Geoff Cook leg before for five and then bowled Allan Lamb for 1.

Graeme Fowler, desperately in need of a big score to clinch a place in the England side for the first test beginning in Perth next week, was dismissed in bizarre fashion for only 12 after putting on 41 for the first wicket with Chris Tavaré.

Tavaré drove a delivery from Andrew Sincock straight back at the bowler who spilled a difficult chance. But Sincok deflected the ball onto the stumps, running out Fowler who was backing up.

### American footballers submit new proposals for ending strike

NEW YORK (A.P.) — Negotiators for the U.S. National Football League's striking players formally submitted early Monday morning a three-year, 1.1-billion-dollar package, a counter-proposal to the owners' 1.2-billion-dollar proposal.

The union proposal was first reviewed by the player representatives assembled at the negotiation site, in midtown Manhattan hotel, then was presented to the management council.

After 45 minutes, the talks receded to give management an opportunity to study the proposal. No time was announced for the start of Monday's bargaining session.

The strike has affected six weekends of the 16-week regular season and the League has insisted play would be resumed by Nov. 7 in order to have a "credible season."

When South Australia resumed their first innings Tuesday morning at 118 for four still needing 225 to avoid the possibility of following on, skipper David Hookes and Sleep carried the fight to England.

They took their fifth wicket stand to 105 before Sleep was caught at slip off Cook.

Hookes, watched by the full panel of Australian selectors, clearly enhanced his chances of a recall for the Perth test by hammering a hellgram 74 before falling to a bat-pad catch off Eddie Hemmings.

Hookes has now amassed 458 runs in five first class innings this season at an average of 91.6.

The match was robbed of nine minutes play this afternoon when the players took a break to watch the Melbourne Cup horse race on television.

## FISA, FOCA to discuss new Grand Prix racing regulations

PARIS (R) — Final agreement on rules governing Grand Prix motor racing in 1983 will be sought at a meeting here Wednesday.

Officials of the International Motor Sport Federation (FISA), the sport's governing body, and the Formula One Constructors' Association (FOCA) will discuss the implementation of new Grand Prix regulations.

FISA would like them introduced at the start of the year but FOCA are fearing a delay at least until the start of the European season in April.

FISA officials say the new rules are aimed at curbing the speed at which cars travel, especially round corners where the crowd too are particularly vulnerable. There have been a number of attacks on current cars with claims that their speeds are bringing them with great dangers.

In addition to banning "skirts" the flaps which close the gap between car and track to give more grip and therefore greater cornering speed, FISA is seeking to abolish four-wheel drive and six-wheeled cars. This would rule out the new Williams car which transmits power through four of its six rear wheels.

## Sportsmen from Britain, U.S. top U.N. 'blacklist'

UNITED NATIONS (R) — Sportsmen from Britain and the United States continue to be the main offenders against a United Nations sports boycott of South Africa, according to the latest U.N. "blacklist" published Tuesday.

It lists sports exchanges with South Africa between January 1 and June 31 this year and names sportsmen and women who took part in events in South Africa.

Britain tops the list of 30 countries with more than 100 sportsmen and women named. The United States is second with 45.

## Wettest Wimbledon in history makes more than £1.5m profit

LONDON (R) — This year's Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships made a profit of more than one-and-a-half million sterling (\$2,500,000) —despite being plagued by rain and rail strikes. The championships, which were the wettest in history and forced to run a day longer because of the bad weather, made a profit of £1,530,585 (\$2,570,400), an increase of more than 45 per cent on last year.

Sir Brian Burnett chairman of the championships committee, said Tuesday: "I think we felt extremely pleased to go above the £1,500,000 mark, particularly as we had 42,000 fewer spectators this year."

The increased income was generated by higher seat prices and the extra day's play.

The chairman said he expected profits to increase again next year, and said ticket prices would have to go up again to cover the additional women's prize money incurred by increasing the entry from 96 to 128.

## Navratilova leads U.S. women against European stars in Belgium

GHENT, Belgium (R) — Wimbledon champion Martina Navratilova, beaten only twice in 50 singles matches this year, leads the United States in a women's tennis match against Europe starting here Wednesday.

Billie Jean King, Andrea Jaeger and Betsy Nagelsen complete the American lineup.

Navratilova, winner of the Brighton international tournament in England at the weekend, will be relishing the chance to avenge one of her two 1982 defeats.

West Germany's powerful left-bander Sylvia Hanika, who beat Navratilova in New York in March, returns after injury to lead the European team.

Wilander ousts compatriot Carlsson

STOCKHOLM (R) — Sweden's emerging tennis star Mats Wilander swept aside compatriot Peter Carlsson 6-0, 6-3 in the first round of a Grand Prix tournament Tuesday.

Wilander, the 18-year-old French Open champion and top seed here, faces a second round match against another Swede, Thomas Hogstedt, to whom he lost only a month ago.

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## ECONOMY

## Japan will continue relying on M.E.

TOKYO (R) — Japan, which imports virtually all its oil, will continue to rely heavily on the Middle East for its crude requirements, despite political disturbances such as the Iranian revolution and the Gulf war, according to an official report.

The natural resources and energy agency said in its latest report that Saudi Arabia's share of Japan's oil imports rose to 37.3 per cent or 329.6 million barrels, in the first eight months of 1982, representing a 4.9 per cent increase on the previous year.

While Saudi Arabia has been and is certain to be a stable supplier, Japanese importers also go to the warring countries, Iran and Iraq, if loading there does not involve immediate risks, the government agency said.

Iran, which used to provide over 40 per cent of Japan's total crude needs in the early 1970s, became Japan's fourth largest supplier in the financial year ending last March with a 5.2 per cent share and a similar trend has been sustained so far this year.

China has become the second largest Asian crude supplier for Japan with shipments now filling 4.7 per cent of the country's total imports. But because of a long-term trade arrangement, China is not expected to threaten Indonesia's position as Japan's biggest regional supplier, the report said.

As a whole, Asian suppliers, including Malaysia and Brunei, account for 25 per cent of Japan's needs, compared with some 70 per cent from the Middle East.

In the current financial year ending next March, Japan will import 1.35 billion barrels of crude, eight per cent below last year's 1.43 billion barrels.

The agency had previously predicted a fall of 4.6 per cent in Japan's requirements. But it has been forced to revise the figure downwards because of the worse than expected state of the Japanese economy, which is seen growing 3.4 per cent this year compared with earlier forecasts of 5.2 per cent growth.

Crude imports are forecast to rise 6.9 per cent to 1.44 billion barrels in the 1983 financial year, but will then remain steady for the next three years.

## U.K. coal miners rebuff militant leader, vote against striking

LONDON (R) — Britain's coal miners have rebuffed their militant left-wing leader Mr. Arthur Scargill and voted by a 3-2 majority against striking to press demands for a 31 per cent pay increase, ballot results showed Tuesday.

The outcome meant the miners accepted a new package from the state-run coal industry giving them an increase of 8.5 per cent.

Mr. Scargill, in his first year as president of the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM), staked his prestige on getting a mandate from the miners to call a strike if necessary in pay negotiations with the National Coal Board.

But, after the final tally from the two-day secret ballot at pits around the country last week was completed, it was clear he had suffered a humiliating defeat. Only 39 per cent of the nation's 207,000 miners voted for strike action.

The outcome will bring relief to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government, which had been apprehensive about a re-run of a damaging confrontation with the miners in 1973-74.

Recent months have brought a

chorus of calls from leading industrialists for action by the Conservative government to lower the pound on foreign exchanges and boost flagging orders for British goods.

But the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), the employers' body which is holding its annual conference here, formally rejected the idea in a decisive two-to-one vote.

Some CBI leaders had wanted to see sterling weaker against the West German mark and the Japanese yen but the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Geoffrey Howe told delegates electric devaluation was impossible.

However in Monday's debates it was clear many CBI members thought a weaker pound, by increasing the cost of raw-material imports, would make matters worse, not better.

Mr. Pat Gailey, a speaker representing machine tool firms, warned: "We fear a rise in inflation if exchange rates are tampered with."

But strong pressure is expected to be exerted on the government by the conference to reduce interest rates further and faster, even

if it means some decline in the exchange rate.

The Bank of England surprised some financiers Monday by cutting a quarter of a percentage point off its money-market dealing rates, without waiting for a cut in the United States.

Dealers said this meant that a further reduction in the base lending rate charged by major British banks, now 9.5 per cent, could come later this week.

The government also won support from the CBI for its new tougher policy towards imports from countries that erect trade barriers. The CBI reaffirmed its backing for free trade but aid steps must be taken to ensure equal access for British exports in foreign markets.

Despite the decision not to press for a change in foreign exchange policy, the conference is still looking for sustained government action to help boost the economy.

Sir Michael Edwards, chairman of the state-owned car firm B.L. (British Leyland), addressing himself to the government, said: "You cut interest rates and business costs and we'll give you export-led growth."

## FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3, 1982

### YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day and evening when you accomplish little or nothing of value by a critical attitude. Become more familiar with new methods. A new course of action could be most successful.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Think kindly of your best friends and be of assistance where most needed. Taking any unnecessary risks could prove costly.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Plan how to cut down on expenses and command a greater income so that you can operate more efficiently in the days ahead.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Try not to act in an irrational manner about anything today, especially where important business matters are concerned.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Fine day for making plans that could bring more abundance in the days ahead. Make sure to exercise caution in travel.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Make certain you handle routine tasks efficiently at this time. Use tried and true methods for advancing in career matters.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You have fine ideas that need more study before putting them in operation. Be more optimistic about the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Much care must be exercised in business dealings today to avoid future trouble. Show more affection for loved one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Listen to the suggestions of associates and cooperate more with them. Relax at home tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Don't let intruders keep you from doing your work in an efficient manner. Consult an expert for advice you need.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Although the actions of others could disturb you, keep busy at own affairs for best results. Show others you have wisdom.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Try to take in stride any annoyances that come your way. A good time to make plans to add to present security.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she must be taught ethical standards early in life, otherwise your progeny could go off in the wrong direction. Much success can be attained if the right education is provided. Be sure to give good religious training.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

## Yen value worries monetary authorities in Japan

TOKYO (R) — Japan's monetary authorities are worried and unhappy men these days.

The yen is losing value despite the fact that the Japanese economy continues to perform better than its competitors.

The latest figures show that Japan's trade surplus rose sharply in September, pushing its overall balance of payments into the black for the first time in four months, while its inflation and unemployment rates remain among the world's lowest.

But despite the statistics and Bank of Japan efforts to support the currency by selling large amounts of dollars, the yen fell last month to its lowest level against the dollar for five and a half years.

Suspicions have been voiced in the currency markets that the Japanese government is in fact happy to see the yen fall to give boost to exports at a time when the growth rate of the once dynamic Japanese economy is slowing.

But Finance Minister Michio Watanabe and Bank of Japan Governor Haruo Maekawa have repeatedly denied this.

Mr. Maekawa, in his most recent statement on the subject, told reporters last week that the bank

had been doing everything possible to support the yen, including selling large amounts of dollars.

In addition, economists note, the Bank of Japan has been holding short term interest charges up to minimise the differential between Japanese rates and high U.S. rates which have been a factor in drawing funds into the dollar.

But though the recent decline in U.S. interest rates has helped narrow the differential, the yen has weakened further rather than strengthened.

"Interest rate considerations are less important now than they were several months ago," said Jardine Fleming Securities economist, Mr. Nobumitsu Kagami.

Mr. Kagami contends that more important to the short-term performance of the yen is the uncertainty about the state of the Japanese economy, which is expected to expand 3.4 per cent this year compared with forecasts at the beginning of the year of 5.2 per cent growth.

Japan's political hiatus caused by the ruling Liberal Democratic Party's failure to pick a successor to outgoing Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki has also been a factor in the yen's weakness, Mr. Kagami said.

"In the present circumstances it

is not easy to make a clear case as to why Japan is good for investment," he said, adding that though Japanese economic fundamentals are better than elsewhere, the advantage is being eroded.

Economists and foreign exchange dealers also point to the declining level of Japanese exports, which fell 9.6 per cent in the first six months of this year compared with last year, and the failure of the outgoing Suzuki cabinet to take effective measures to stimulate the domestic economy.

"There is no early (domestic) economic recovery in sight. We

cannot expect a sharp rise in exports which in the past has helped the yen to strengthen substantially," according to the foreign fund division manager of a major Japanese bank.

Continuing anxieties over the cash problems of some of the world's most indebted countries will continue to underpin the value of the dollar against all major currencies, including yen, he said.

Some economists agree with Bank of Japan Governor Haruo Maekawa's contention that a narrowing trend in the deficit on Japan's capital account, which

measures the flow of investment funds in and out of the country, could help the yen.

Balance of payments figures released last week showed the long-term capital account deficit fell sharply to \$416 million in September from \$2.29 billion in August, reflecting a reduction in net yen loans overseas and a sharp rise in non-resident investment in Japanese securities.

"The narrowing capital account deficit is a reason why I do not expect any further extremely sharp fall in the yen," one economist said.

Those prepared to make pre-

dictions on the outlook for the yen over the remainder of this year believe it could fall to a low of around 285 to the dollar from 278.50 and will not rebound beyond a range of between 250 and 260.

They emphasised that the likely trend is clouded by a plethora of uncertainties, both political and economic.

"At the moment the yen can go anywhere," said Jardine's Kagami, who believes that a correction to the yen's decline is overdue and there is a good chance of a rebound to around 265 before the end of the year.

Those prepared to make pre-

### LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — The market closed basically steady but the undertone was firm after the Bank of England cut its money market intervention rates for the second day running and paved the way for a further cut in U.K. base lending rates, dealers said. The F.T. index at 1500 Tuesday was up 3.5 at 614.4.

Confirmation that U.K. miners had rejected the possibility of strike action in their ballot had been fully discounted and had no real impact, dealers added.

Among the leaders Glaxo rose 35p to 1100p and ICI was up 6p at 330. U.S. shares were narrowly mixed with Homestake unchanged throughout around £27.

Government bonds finished below the day's early highs but still 1/4 to 1/2 point higher, boosted by the prospect of lower base rates. Trading was subdued pending the outcome of the U.S. mid-term elections, dealers said.

Bowater fell 4p to 174, still depressed by a competitor's recent reduction in newsprint prices, while Reed International was unchanged on balance at 274 after interims. Tozer Kemsley which reported an interim pretax loss, was 3p down at 55p.

Insurance brokers were weak on news the problems at Alex Howden led to a Lloyd's investigation into the underwriting agency of Minet holdings. Minet itself fell 19p to 118.

### LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Tuesday.

One sterling	1.6840/47	U.S. dollars	1.2232/35
One U.S. dollar	2.5470/80	Canadian dollars	2.7655/70
	2.1920/30	West German marks	3.0150/60
	49.21/23	Dutch guilders	2.7850/60
	7.1750/80	Swiss francs	7.4115/35
	1469.00/1471.00	Belgian francs	7.2150/70
	275.35/45	French francs	8.9300/25
	7.4115/35	Japanese yen	410.00/413.00
	7.2150/70	Swedish crowns	
	8.9300/25	Norwegian crowns	
		Danish crowns	
		U.S. dollars	

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# WORLD

## Brixton calm after new police units go into action

LONDON (R) — London's multi-racial district of Brixton, scene of fierce rioting last year, was returning to normal Tuesday after fresh violence which brought a new police riot unit on to the streets in force for the first time.

A crowd of several hundred youths — mostly black — armed with petrol bombs and bricks took to the streets Monday night after a day of tension sparked by evictions in the area.

Police were stoned, windows smashed and derelict buildings set ablaze before the specially trained immediate response squads, wearing flameproof clothing and crash helmets and carrying riot shields moved in to clear the area.

One policeman was injured and four arrests were made.

Relations between police and

residents in Brixton, a run-down inner city area have been delicate for years.

The police came under intense government and public scrutiny both in their handling of minority groups and in their riot tactics and one result was the introduction of immediate response units in most districts of London.

The units are ready for action to deal with riots at 5 minutes notice and they include trained "snatch squads" whose task is to break up groups of rioters and arrest leaders.

Police said they were satisfied with the performance of their new force in clearing the streets quickly, but the clash showed clearly that tension remained.

## Weinberger tells ASEAN not to worry about Japan

SINGAPORE (R) — U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger Tuesday dismissed South East Asian fears over an increased Japanese defense role in the Pacific and said there was no indication of a revival of World War II militarism in Japan.

Mr. Weinberger told a press conference at the end of a two-day visit here that Japan could play a significant and useful role in increasing its ability to defend its home islands and the surrounding seaways which were being increasingly threatened by the Soviet Union.

He said that the U.S. understood the feelings of people in the South East Asian region, particularly after their experience under Japanese military occupation during the World War II.

"But I don't think this concern is well founded. I don't see any disposition whatsoever on the part of the Japanese to regain militaristic spirit," he said.

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN

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Q.1 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:  
♦A952 ♦63 ♦10764 ♦AQ52

The bidding has proceeded:  
South West North East  
Pass 1 ♦ Double Pasa  
2 ♦ Pasa 3 ♦ Pass

What action do you take?

A. — Partner must have a very strong hand and at least a six-card heart suit, so bid four hearts. Don't worry about the fact that you have only a low doubleton in partner's suit. He has told you that he expects to make nine tricks with hearts as trumps opposite a possible bust. Since you have two possible tricks for him, you owe him a vote of confidence.

Q.2 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦AQ1054 ♦6 ♦K962 ♦6

The bidding has proceeded:  
North East South West  
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ Pass  
2 ♦ Pass 2 ♦ Pass  
2 ♦ Pass 3 ♦

What action do you take?

A. — Even though you have a full opening bid, this hand must be discounted because of the obvious misfit. Therefore, we would not commit ourselves to game, but would he content with a simple forward-going move. The most likely game is in no trump, and we would suggest that to partner by bidding two no trump now.

Q.3 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦K954 ♦854 ♦K10965 ♦AK

The bidding has proceeded:  
South West North East  
1 NT Pasa 3 ♦ Pass

What do you bid now?

A. — When you hold three-card support for the major suit in which partner has jumped after your no trump opening, it is usually correct to raise him to game. Here, however, all your points are outside of your partner's suit, so the hand could play better at no trump. Bid three no trump. If partner is highly distributional, he has the option of continuing the search for a suit contract.

Q.4 — Both vulnerable, as

South you hold:  
♦A62 ♦K ♦K106532 ♦92

The bidding has proceeded:  
East South West North  
1 ♦ 2 ♦ 2 ♦ 3 ♦

Pass?

What action do you take?

A. — Despite your minimum in terms of high cards for a vulnerable overall, partner's raise and his known shortness in the opponents' suit greatly increase the playing strength of your hand. You could easily have a game in no trump or five diamonds. To determine the limit of the hand, the best approach is to cue-hid the ace of spades. If partner bids three no trump, pass. But, if he returns to diamonds, accept his decision, regardless of the level.

Q.5 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦AKQ10763 ♦5 ♦A9842

The bidding has proceeded:  
South West North East  
1 ♦ Pass 2 ♦ Pass

What do you bid now?

A. — It is always difficult to bid fresh hands accurately, so we sympathize if you elected to leap to six spades.

However, a bid of three diamonds has much to recommend it. If partner can raise diamonds, or jump to game in spades, which shows a useful feature in your second suit, you can bid the slam with a high degree of confidence.

But if partner does no more than return to three spades, we would content ourselves with a quiet raise to four spades.

Q.6 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦J ♦A98532 ♦7 ♦A1087

The bidding has proceeded:  
North East South West  
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ Pass

What do you bid now?

A. — Because of your great playing strength, you should be quite willing to commit the hand to slam. However, a grand slam could be laydown if partner has the right cards.

We suggest a cue-bidding sequence, starting with four clubs, to find out whether partner has two aces and second-round club control. If he has, all 13 tricks should be easy.

## Chancellor's trousers cause upset

LONDON (R) — Questions about security raised by the case of the chancellor's trousers are to be asked in the British Parliament.

The chancellor of the exchequer (finance minister), Sir Geoffrey Howe, lost his trousers as he dozed in a bar at an overnight train at the weekend. He was not wearing them at the time.

Taken with the trousers — part of a black dinner suit — was £100 (\$170) in cash left in a pocket.

Geoffrey Dickens, one of the chancellor's Conservative colleagues in the House of Commons, said the incident was very worrying and he would be raising the matter in Parliament.

"We spend millions of pounds protecting cabinet ministers but if a thing like this can happen it all seems futile if someone can get in to steal they can get in to murder."

Parliament has already been exercised this year over security lapses that have allowed an intruder to surprise Queen Elizabeth in her Buckingham Palace bedroom and two relatives of a jailed convict to scale a tower at the house of Parliament.

The chancellor reported the trousers missing, believed stolen, when the overnight express from Manchester arrived in London early on Saturday.

Other passengers on the same train were also robbed a spokesman for British Rail said.

"The thief crept into at least one other compartment and took items of cash and clothing," the spokesman said.

The government driver and bodyguard assigned to look after Sir Geoffrey said he had reprimanded the chancellor.

"I said to him, 'you did not leave the door unlocked, did you?'

"The trouble is he works so hard. He sits up late at night with his papers and does not take much sleep. But when he does, he is out like a light."

The chancellor emerged from the incident still missing his dress trousers but with dignity intact.

"I have more than one pair of trousers," he said. "Luckily I always carry a spare pair."

## Shatila survivor shares moment with French troops



An elderly Palestinian refugee, who lost all seven members of his family during the massacre at Shatila refugee camp, now shows pictures of his family anyone who is passing by. Here, he shows them to French paratroopers of the multinational peace-keeping force, who currently patrol Shatila to prevent a repetition of the massacre. (UNRWA photo)

## Bekaa Valley relatively quiet as pullout talks go on

By Paul Eedle

WAVELL REFUGEE CAMP, Lebanon (R) — An elderly, dusty artillery piece stands in the hallway of a Palestinian commando headquarters in a refugee camp in eastern Lebanon. Green wooden boxes of explosives are stacked against a wall.

But the only serious fighting in any kind of action in Wavell camp are guards trying to regulate the flow of refugees crowding an office down the street where the camp administration is based.

"Love between two sexes should not be depicted as more important than the revolution. Literature and art should not propagate that love is above everything and everything is for love," Mr. Hu said.

He added, however, that the U.S. would increase its defense cooperation with ASEAN countries and hold more joint naval exercises with them.

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In the mountains to the west, Israeli soldiers beside a sand and barbed wire barricade wave vehicles along the main Beirut-Damascus highway.

A few hundred metres along, Syrian troops in red and green camouflage fatigues man sandbagged posts by the road. But when one soldier stops a car, it emerges he only wants to see if the driver has a newspaper to spare.

The tension has almost gone. There are still, according to the latest Western estimates, 40,000 Syrian troops, 20,000 Israelis and upwards of 6,000 Palestinian guerrillas in Lebanon controlling most of the country.

Efforts have started to secure their final withdrawal by the desperate negotiations of July and August have passed. Then, diplo-

mats raced to arrange the removal of Palestinian and Syrian units from west Beirut before the Israelis completely pulverized the city.

That ended with evacuations and withdrawals and now everyone seems to have time to spare.

The occasional incident disrupts the peace. Last Sunday Syrian anti-aircraft batteries on the Syrian side of the border fired two rockets at Israeli reconnaissance aircraft flying over the Bekaa Valley, where Wavell camp lies.

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Western diplomats working in Lebanon and Syria believe the urgency has evaporated because the bloodshed has stopped and because all of the parties are now willing to sit out the winter to get what they want to space.

The Israeli want security arrangements for South Lebanon that will guarantee no Palestinian guerrillas return to within at least 40 kilometres of the Israeli border.

The Syrians want their dignity, the diplomats believe, and this means not staring to withdraw until the Israelis do so.

The Palestinians want to formulate a strategy for their struggle now that they have lost their independent base in Beirut and they want time to prepare a future for the fighters they will have to pull out of Lebanon.

Diplomats say that even the new Lebanese government of President Amin Gemayel appears in no hurry for the talks to finish. When the foreign forces withdraw, the Lebanese government will have to take control of the areas they leave and at present the fledgling Lebanese army is hard put to patrol the area around Beirut.

Mr. Gemayel suggested on a recent tour of the United States, France and Italy that the present 4,000-strong multinational peacekeeping force in Beirut should be expanded to 30,000 men and spread out across the country.

But the diplomats said that the United States, leader of the diplomatic efforts concerning Lebanon, believed that there was no alternative in the long run to the country ruling itself.

**Limits of peacekeeping**

A multinational force, however large, might help the Lebanese army to take over positions left by departing foreigners. But it would almost certainly decline to help the authorities to bring under control.

They added that while the Syrians, inferior in the air, did not threaten the Israelis at present, they were strong enough to ensure heavy Israeli casualties if Israel tried to move forward.

## Ancient Greek ship replica to be built

ATHENS (R) — American and Greek archaeologists have embarked on an ambitious project to build a life-size, sea-going replica of a 2,300-year old Greek ship sunk by pirates off northern Cyprus.

Prof. Michael Katzev, a U.S. archaeologist who was with the diving team that discovered the largely intact "Kyrenia wreck" on the seabed in 1967, outlined at a press conference Monday plans to build an identical ship.

He said the replica would help researchers test the maneuverability and speed of such ships in the notoriously changeable waters of the eastern Mediterranean.

Prof. Katzev, who spent 15 years analysing the mine of information on ancient shipping the find produced, is working with Harry Tzalas of the Athens-based Hellenic Institute for the preservation of nautical tradition to put some of the knowledge he has acquired to the test.

At Perama, on the coast south

west of Athens, they are constructing an exact model, with ancient world materials and design, of the 14.75 metre ship in 300 B.C. along with its cargo of oil, wine, millstones, almonds and iron.

Work at Perama has just begun and should take two years at a cost of some five million drachmas (\$700,000). The cost will be borne by the Hellenic Institute and the Institute of Nautical Archaeology in Texas.

When the original wreck was discovered 15 years ago off the northern Cypriot port of Kyrenia, it was hauled as far as the most important piece of evidence modern scholars possessed about ancient shipping.

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At Perama, on the coast south

MOSCOW (R) — Western correspondents were stopped by members of the KGB security police. Monday night from attending a news conference called by members of an unofficial Soviet peace group.

At least six Western reporters were told by one of three Russians in plain clothes who blocked their entrance to the building in northeast Moscow: "You have five minutes to leave here."

The man, who refused to identify himself, seized one Western journalist by his arm when he tried to present his official Soviet press accreditation.

The man said: "I know what your business is." A Volga car, a

model favoured by the KGB police, was parked in front of the building.

The news conference, by the self-styled "group for the establishment of trust between the USSR and the USA," was to have been the first appearance by Sergei Batovrin, a co-founder of the group, since his release from a psychiatric hospital last September.

Members of the group have said Mr. Batovrin, 25, was victimized because of his association with the group and his pacifist sentiments.

Group members later told Western correspondents by telephone that Mr. Batovrin and his wife, Natasha, had been prevented by harassment since it was formed last June.

Police from leaving their apartment to attend Monday night's news conference.

A group member said the conference had been called to make public details about the arrest of Oleg Radzinski, one of the group's activists, on Oct. 26.

His friends say he is to face a charge of anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda.

The "group of trust," built round a small core of Moscow intellectuals, is independent of the massive, Communist Party-led official Soviet peace movement and has been subject to intense harassment since it was formed last June.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Taiwan offers rank of major to MiG pilot

TAIPEI (R) — A Chinese air force pilot who defected to Taiwan by way of South Korea will be made a major, Gen. Kuo Ju-Lin, chief of the Taiwanese air force, said. During a reception given to Capt. Wu Yung-Ken's brother, it was reported that Gen. Kuo had promised Wu the rank in the Nationalist air force.

Queen Elizabeth ends Pacific tour